

**COURT CASE CONCERNING THE TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX RATE FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2001-02 RESOLVED**

The court case titled *Core-Mark International, Inc., California Association of Retail Tobacconists Inc. and U.S. Smokeless Tobacco Company vs. State Board of Equalization* has been resolved. The tax rate for tobacco products beginning September 10, 2001, is **52.65%** of the wholesale cost of these products. This rate will be in effect through June 30, 2002.

If you have any questions, please contact the Excise Taxes Division at **1-800-400-7115**.